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“In naam van Oranje doe open de Poort”, as the famous song goes. Members of the “1 April Vereniging” (1st of April Association) celebrate the fact, that on 1 April 1572, Den Briel, also named Brielle, was liberated from the Spanish by the Dutch Rebels called the “Watergeuzen”. More on the town of Den Briel on pages 18 & 19.

Important: The entries below are an indication only of what events are planned during the coming months and the information given may not always be accurate and could be subject to change.
For up-to-date accurate information, **always** refer to the larger function advertisements inside this paper or the posters displayed in the clubhouse.

Upcoming Functions in Neerlandia or in other venues as shown:

Sunday 4 November	<u>"Sunday Klaverjas Drive"</u>	11.00 am
	Cost: \$ 7.00	
Tuesday 6 November	<u>"Melbourne Cup Lunch"</u>	
	Admission: Members \$40.00	
	Guests \$45.00	
	(Additional details on page 20)	
Thursday 8 November	<u>"DJVV Club"</u> (Fortnightly)	Shop open
Thursday 22 Nov.	<u>"DJVV Club"</u> (Fortnightly)	Shop open
Sunday 25 November	<u>"St Nicholas Brunch"</u>	10.00 am
	Admission: Members: \$17.00	
	Guests \$20.00	
Friday 30 November	<u>"End of Month Drinks"</u>	5.30pm—9.00 pm
Sunday 2 December	<u>"St Nicholas for the Children"</u>	
	Admission: All Children \$10.00	
	All Adults \$10.00	
Thursday 6 December	<u>"DJVV Club"</u> (Fortnightly)	Shop open
Saturday 8 December	<u>"DACWA Clients Christmas Lunch"</u>	
	(By invitation only).	
Sunday 9 December	<u>"Sunday Klaverjas Drive"</u>	11.00 am
	Cost: \$ 7.00	
Sunday 16 December	<u>"Christmas Variety Concert"</u>	
	by the Dutch Singers	
	Admission: Members \$12.00	
	Non-Members \$15.00	
Sunday 6 January	<u>"New Year's Celebration"</u>	

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Private Members Parties:

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Minimum charges for using our Clubhouse facilities are:

Use of Hall	from \$275.00 (Incl. GST)
Use of Lounge	from \$100.00 (Incl. GST)
Use of Kitchen	from \$100.00 (Incl. GST)



President's Report.

I love challenges; big ones, small ones, any sort of challenge.

During my holiday on the South Island of New Zealand, I was faced with a new

challenge.

It is in fact not so much my challenge, it is more a challenge that the Neerlandia Committee is facing and I hope that you can help us.

With the small number of Committee Members that we currently have, we are short of professionals who are willing and able to assist our Treasurer.

We are not asking for this person to join the committee, we are asking someone within the Community to assist the Treasurer with the entering of data into the MYOB program.

The Constitution dictates that the Committee produces financial reports and at the moment we are not able to do so due to lack of trained, computer literate Committee Members.

If you think that you have the time, the interest and the experience to help us out, please contact the Treasurer, Henri Koldenhoven on 9459 4180 or on Mob: 0408 740 680.

We are looking forward to a positive feedback from the readers of the magazine.

Lianna Parker

President

**CONGRATULATIONS!!!!
THE FOLLOWING ARE NOW
MEMBERS OF
THE DUTCH SOCIETY
NEERLANDIA**

- Jacqueline Kommers
- Marieke Verduyn Lunel
- Rene Dekker
- Ann Dekker



Editorial notes.

When we were in Coral Bay last August people were arriving with bouts of that dreadful flu that was going around Australia. We were very careful and avoided contact with them to the best of our abilities and we thought we had scraped through the

winter without catching it.

But fate had other ideas and in the beginning of October it was our turn to suffer. For about one week we did not venture outdoors at all, mainly because we were too ill but also as not to spread it any further. This flu is dreadful and one does not wish it on anybody.

But while I am writing this, it is two weeks now that we have suffered and we are now slowly getting back to our old selves again, but any strenuous activity results in instant exhaustion.

The October Magazine.

We apologise for the fact that the October issue of our magazine was late, but that was not due to any of the Neerlandia people involved. The magazine was sent to the printer on the 23rd of September, which is under normal circumstances quite sufficient to receive the printed product a few days before the end of the month and get it to the members by the 1st of the month. That has not happened during the last two productions and obviously there are production problems at our printer. We are looking into it to see what can be done about it.

Sending it earlier to the printer is hardly an option as we want the information in the magazine not only as current as possible, but the proof readers need time to make the magazine as presentable as possible. We will keep you posted on further developments.

September End of Month Drinks.

This event was very well attended once again. But with both Lianna and Tony away on holidays and Marieke laid low after an operation, it was left to Committee members Henry and Gerry to look after this large demanding event.

Proposed Constitution Changes on hold.

The proposed constitution changes discussed at the AGM have been put on hold and referred to a sub-committee as there were various technical hitches and the agreed proposals would not have passed the scrutiny of the Department of Commerce. (Office of Association Inc.)

The Duyfken.

The little Duyfken is back in Fremantle once again and the decision that it will find a permanent birth at the Perth Waterfront is very welcome indeed.

World Cup 2014.

The Netherlands managed to beat Andorra 3-0. The difficult away game against Romania resulted in a 4-1 win for the Netherlands. The Netherlands were 3-0 up within the opening 45 minutes as Jeremain Lens, Bruno Martins Indi and Rafael van der Vaart all found the target. Robin van Persie scored four minutes from the end.

Pieter Leeftang



St. Nicholas Brunch

**On Sunday
the 25th of November at 10.00 am**

Come and join us at Neerlandia for our famous "Brunch". Enjoy an "Uitsmijter" and all kind of Dutch Breakfast Goodies with unlimited Coffee or Tea and Orange Juice. St Nicholas and his Zwarte Pieten should surprise us with a visit and should have a small present for everyone, who will be attending.



Would you like to meet Saint Nicholas, but you do not like the busy atmosphere at the Children's Saint Nicholas party? Then come to this Brunch. There is always a good atmosphere and it always is good value!

Tickets:

Members

\$17.00

Guests

\$20.00

For catering purposes, payment is necessary when you make your booking.

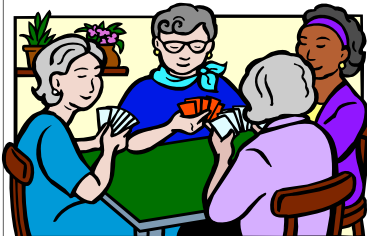
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9356 4207**

The payment options are:

- ... Send your Cheque or Money Order and the function details by mail to:
Neerlandia, PO Box 200, WEMBLEY WA 6913.*
- ... Contact Gerry Creemers by phone to arrange credit card payments.*

Sunday Klaverjas Drives.

De eerstvolgende Klaverjas Drives worden gehouden op zondag 4 November en zondag 9 December.



Kosten: \$7.00 per persoon.
Kom gezellig Klaverjassen in het Neerlandia

Clubhuis.

De prijzen zijn tegoed bonnen voor onze winkel.

Lunch & 2 kopjes koffie zijn bij de toegangsprijs inbegrepen.

Aanvang 11.00 uur.
Iedereen is welkom.

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ZWARTE BESSEN Jenever	\$40.00 PER LITER
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KERSEN BRANDEWIJN	\$40.00 PER LITER
MILLWOOD LIQUEUR	\$30.00 per 700 ML
DIKKE ADVOCAT	\$30.00 per 700 ML

AVAILABLE WHEN THE BAR IS OPEN:

DJVV 2nd Thursdays:	10.00 am—2.00 pm
Thursdays Evenings:	7.00 pm—10.30 pm
Organised Functions:	See page 2
Fridays:	10.00 am—Noon

**PRE-ORDERED BOTTLES CAN ALSO BE COLLECTED WHEN THE SHOP IS OPEN:**

Every Wednesday from:
11.00 am—1.00 pm

End of Month Drinks

The last End of Month Drinks of the year 2012 will be held on Friday the 30th of November.

NEW HOURS! The Bar will be open from 5.30 pm - 9.00 pm, and the Kitchen will remain open until 8.30 pm.

Come along after work for some relaxation, meet up with old friends or make new ones and enjoy a Dutch beer or a Dutch snack or just a cup of coffee!

Available from our Kitchen:

Coffee & Dutch Appeltaart! Broodje Kroket! Broodje Frikandel! Broodje Rookworst! Bitterballen! Chips!

“Kinder Menu” also available!

The Neerlandia Shop will be open for your convenience!

Everyone is welcome - Everyone is welcome - Everyone is welcome.

Eventjes bijpraten met Lianna & Marieke



During the August End of Month Drinks three graphic designs were unveiled. These artworks were initially meant for the Children's Paradise



on our walls?

It was a very involved project. It began when I started fulltime work, so the project ended up spanning about half a year. However, each artwork took in excess of 100 hours, not including research. I always work in stages from research, pencil illustration, ink interpretation and then final production, in this case on the computer. Each element in the final artworks has been hand-drawn on a drawing tablet.

Question: What are your favourite art forms and why?

Although having a passion for illustration, I appreciate many art forms and especially those that I don't undertake myself, such as sculpture. I also have a keen interest in graffiti art and quirky illustration. My eye is often attracted to intricate patterns, bold contrast and interesting use of colour.

Question: Do you have a favourite artist and why?

I have always been a big fan of M. C. Escher, who was an inspiration for this project. His use of symmetry fascinates me. I love that you can look at a piece of his artwork numerous times and find something different each time. I also love the work of local illustrator and children's book author Shaun Tan, his imagination is delightful!

Question: What education did you take to further your artistic talents?

I majored in illustration in my second year at TAFE and continued to incorporate illustration throughout other design work in the following Advanced Diploma year. Participating in various exhibitions in my final year also kept my pen flowing.

Question: Do you see a future for yourself in the art world?

I most certainly think in a commercial sense and with the ability to display and sell artwork in various online forums, who knows what the future could hold!

Question: What is your ambition as far as drawing is concerned?

It has been a dream to write and illustrate my own children's book. I am hoping that one day that could be a reality but in the meantime, I would love to start producing illustrations that could be created for a more commercial purpose. i.e. Printed shirts, cards, posters etc. Whilst still developing artworks for future exhibition's.

Question: Have you had any exhibitions? If so, where were these?

During my Final year at TAFE last year, the advanced diploma group held various exhibitions all over Perth. This also allowed for a 'duet' exhibition with another student, where we both showcased 5 individual artworks and 2 collaborative pieces. The 'duet's exhibition was held in Northbridge at a clothing store called 'Scraps' and was part of the 'OnWilliam' street festival.'

Question: Is there anything we should know about

but as Marieke progressed with her work, we knew that we wanted to share these drawings with every one visiting our Clubhouse.

And we were right: so many people remark on the art that is now hanging on the wall of the Pieter Leeftang Lounge.

Many of you asked me, who is this lady, so I asked Marieke if she would be willing to do an interview; Marieke obliged.



Please meet Marieke Verduyn-Lunel!

Question: When did you first discover your talent?

My love for drawing sprung from a young age and my passion for illustration grew *when* studying Graphic Design at TAFE.

Question: Does the ability to paint and draw run in your family?

Both sides of my family are very creative, musically and artistically. My father is very good at drawing and I have an aunty who is an artist. My family and those around me will forever inspire me.

Question: Those three works of art that you made for Neerlandia are just so wonderful. Their simplicity makes them strong. How did you get the idea?

When initially approached with the project, I imagined the designs would incorporate an element of abstract interpretation. The aim was to create a cultural representation, with a modern twist. By utilizing minimalist colour, I aimed to produce something that was 'timeless' and that could be appreciated for generations.

Question: How long did it take you to create what is now

Eventjes bijpraten met Lianna & Marieke

you?

My designs also reflect an inspiration from nature, as I am constantly intrigued by our beautiful surrounding environment. Finding universal patterns and aesthetic comparisons is a strong personal interest.

Question: Do you work commercially? If so how can people contact you?

I am currently working as a full time web designer for RACWA, whilst also maintaining some freelance design work outside of work hours. I am presently in the process of creating a personal website, so for the time being e-mail is the most efficient method of contact, but if you prefer to talk over the phone, I am always willing to have a chat.

Want to be more involved in the Dutch Community?

Neerlandia is always looking for people who are interested in joining the Committee and being an active part of the Dutch Community in Perth. The Committee meets every second Monday of the month. Why not come along and see what goes on behind the scenes? Joining the Committee might be just what you are looking for! Make sure you email Lianna first, so she can introduce you to the rest of the Committee during the meeting. lianna_parker@bigpond.com

Join us in the kitchen, behind the bar or in the shop!

Your club is being run by volunteers and we could always do with some more. At the moment our volunteers are being run of their feet with the busy season fast approaching, so we're welcoming everyone who is interested in helping us out. Do you have experience in the kitchen, or are you willing to learn? Do you hold a RSA certificate and would you like to help out behind the bar? Do you have a knack for selling (Dutch) food items and can't wait to start

The Satellite and Antenna Guy

Jamie Chester
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helping out in the Neerlandia shop? Well, we can't wait to have you on our team of volunteers! Email Marieke on mariekevandenberg@westnet.com.au or call her on Friday mornings at the clubhouse, between 10 and 12.

There is no minimum amount of hours that you need to be available for, so please don't hesitate to contact Marieke for further information. Looking forward to seeing you soon!

Membership

The Neerlandia membership is fairly stable. We now have 409 members, but we lost over 30 members this year as they didn't renew their membership, as well as 10 members who sadly passed away.

With the renewals for 2013 coming up, we'd like to ask you to keep supporting your club, even if you may no longer be able to visit the clubhouse and our functions regularly. You will be able to find the membership renewal form in the December magazine. The membership fees will be the same as this year.

If you are not currently a member, you may be interested to know that if you join in December, you get one month free and only pay for 2013!

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I am a single, 52 year old female Dutch academic.

More details: find my profile on the Aussie House Sitters website under my sitter's name: Josee.

Or call me on 0429-547 515



Laughter is still the best medicine



When Grandma went to Court:

Lawyers should never ask a Mississippi grandma a question if they aren't prepared for the answer.

In a trial, a Southern small-town prosecuting attorney called his first witness, a grandmotherly, elderly woman to the stand.

He approached her and asked, 'Mrs Jones, do you know me'.

She responded, 'Why, yes, I do know you, Mr Williams. I've known you since you were a boy, and frankly, you've been a big disappointment to me. You lie, you cheat on your wife, and you manipulate people and talk about them behind their backs. You think you're a big shot when you haven't the brains to realize you'll never amount to anything more than a two-bit paper pusher. Yes, I know you.'

The lawyer was stunned. Not knowing what else to do, he pointed across the room and asked: 'Mrs Jones, do you know the defense attorney?'

She again replied, 'Why yes, I do. I've known Mr Bradley since he was a youngster, too. He's lazy, bigoted, and he has a drinking problem. He can't build a normal relationship with anyone, and his law practice is one of the worst in the entire state. Not to mention he cheated on his wife with three different women and one of those was your wife. Yes, I know him.'

The defense attorney nearly died.

The judge asked both counselors to approach the bench and in a very quiet voice, said: 'If either of you idiots asks her if she knows me, I'll send you both to the electric chair.'

The mouth rinse:

A woman goes to the Doctor in Glasgow, worried about her husband's temper and threatening manner

The Doc asks: "What's the problem, Janet?"

The woman says: "Weeell Doctor Cameron, I dinnae know what to do. Every time ma hubbie comes home drunk, he threatens to slap me aroon'."

The Doctor says: "Aye, well... I have a real good cure for that.

When your husband arrives home intoxicated, just take a wee glass of water and start swishing it in your mouth. Just swish and swish but don't swallow it until he goes to bed and is sound asleep."

Two weeks later she comes back to the doctor looking fresh and reborn.

She says: "Doctor that was brilliant! Evrae time ma hubbie came home drunk, I swished with water. I swished an' swished, and he didnae touch me even once!

Tell me Doc...wha's the secret? How's the water do that?"

The Doctor says: "Janet, it's really nae big secret. The water does bugger all - it's keeping your mouth shut that does the trick..."

DE NEERLANDIA WINKEL

Levensmiddelen en allerlei lekkernijen uit Nederland

- ... Bitterballen, Krokette & Friandellen & Gerookte Makreel.
- ... Van Wees Rookworst. Leidse & Goudse & **Maasdammer Kaas**
- ... Vleeswaren van Jan Otis-Ham, Rookvlees, Amsterdamse worst en Cervelaat worst
- ... **Zoute Haring (Deze zijn momenteel niet beschikbaar)**
- ... Ontbijtkoek, Gember Koek en Candij Koek
- ... Piccalilly & Zoet-Zure Augurken. (Bommen of Party Sticks)
- ... Zoute Drop, Stroopwafels, Gesorteerde Koekjes & Beschuit
- ... Gestampde Muisjes, Hagelslag, Fruithagel & Chocolate Vlokken
- ... Amandel Koeken, Kano's, Amsterdammers & Speculaasjes en Speculaas Brokken
- ... Honig Soepen, Curry Saus en Remia Frite & Knoflook Saus
- ... Calvé Mayonaise en Remia Mayonaise
- ... Boterkoek, Pannekoeken, Appeltaart en Poffertjes mix

De Neerlandia Winkel is open op de volgende dagen:

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|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Elke Woensdag | van 10.00 am - 1.00 pm |
| Elke tweede Donderdag (DJVV week) | van 9.00 am - 2.00 pm |
| Elke Donderdag avond | van 10.00 pm - 11.00 pm |
| Iedere Vrijdag | van 10.00 am - Noon |

De Neerlandia winkel is bemand door vrijwilligers en daarom moeten de bovenstaande tijden een beetje ruim genomen worden

Report on the October Sunday Drive & Club News

The October Sunday Drive.

On Sunday the 7th of October our monthly Sunday Drive took place. Despite a few of our regulars being down with the flu, we still had 28 players or 7 tables, which was not too bad under the circumstances.

It was nice to see Ria Nissen there once again, as she had been unable to do so for quite a while, due to Karel Nissen's illness.

After two games it was time for lunch and Coffee or Tea, prepared with love by Thea & Irma. Thank you both on behalf of all present. The Lunch was very enjoyable.



Two more rounds and as the score sheets came in, it became apparent that some very experienced card players had the prizes all sown up And all three have been in the prizes this year already!

The winners were:

1st Prize:

Tini Swart 7205 points

2nd Prize:

Freda Hovingh 6832 points

3rd Prize:

Peter Seegers 6661 points

There will be two more Sunday Drives this year, the next will be on Sunday the 4th of November and last one of the year on Sunday the 9th of December.

Gerry Creemers.

Grinners are winners, from left to right: Freda 2nd; Peter 3rd and Tini 1st prize

Matty Mentz retired as Conductor from the Dutch Singers.



The Dutch Singers have lost a Conductor, but gained a soprano.

After a well deserved holiday in Europe, Matty Mentz decided to retire as Conductor of the Dutch Singers.

The Dutch Singers have been under Matty's guidance since 2006 and through her great effort have brought the choir to where they are today, singing most songs in harmony and in many different languages.

There were not only Saturday morning rehearsals, but also performances in Aged Care facilities, Retirement villages, Town of Cambridge naturalization ceremonies plus Neerlandia Christmas and Mid-year Variety Concerts and Matty was always there.

So Matty, here is a great big thank you from all of us at the Dutch Singers for all your hard work and we are happy you stayed on to sing with us as a chorister.

We are now moving forward to our Christmas concert under the expert guidance of our Accompanist and new Conductor Hazel Potts.

Vera Horsten

Secretary

The Dutch Singers.

Melbourne Cup Lunch



On Tuesday the 6th of November, Neerlandia will organise once again a Melbourne Cup Lunch.

Come and watch the Cup being run on our large screen, while seated at round tables and enjoy a superb Lunch prepared by Armanda & René from **Armanda's Cuisine**.

Sweepstakes Tickets of several values will be available.

When: Tuesday the 6th of November

Costs: Members \$40.00

Non-Members \$45.00

Doors Open 11.00 am



Ladies, dress up and win a Shop Voucher for the most **Elegant**, the most **Creative** or the most **Colourful** Hat

For pre-paid bookings:
Contact Gerry Creemers on:
9356 4207
Credit Card payments available.
Numbers are limited. Book early.

The menu will be as follows:

A champagne cocktail on arrival

Entree

Supa a pomodoro served with dinner rolls and butter
(Tomato soup with meat balls & vermicelli pasta, finished with fresh basil)

Mains

Roast pork, served with braised cider cabbage, mash potatoes, mustard jus & sauté carrots.

OR

Roast scotch fillet of beef served with roast baby potatoes, sauté' carrots & roast beetroot

Dessert

Homemade white chocolate Broulee

OR

Apple pie with Chantilly cream

The September End of Month Drinks

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The September End of the Month Drinks was held on Friday the 28th of September and once again the organisers would have been very pleased with the result.



Alf Ukich about to order drinks from our youthful bar staff.

And our members and their guests turned up in droves as more than 80 people attended. With Lianna being on holidays and Marieke recovering from tonsillitis, it was up to Gerry Creemers and Henry Koldenhoven to do all the



Repeat visitors Jaap, Maud, Diana & Fleur spend some time in our Childrens Paradise..

running around. And this they did, albeit ably



These chips are delicious, I can highly recommend them!

assisted by various experienced kitchen staff such as Marion and Dora. It is great to see that the younger people jump

at the opportunity to assist the Committee, our members and their guests by volunteering behind the bar, in the kitchen, by serving food and helping



Henk Oorschot trying hard to sell his life story to a couple of guests at the Neerlandia book stall.

to clean up during and after the event.

On these nights there is usually a good mix of people. Besides young families and single people, there usually is a sprinkling of our older members present, which is nice to see. And our shop and



kitchen always do a fantastic business as well. Many thanks to all our hard-working volunteers, who keep the club

going. The End of Month Drinks is always a very popular and a successful event.

PL



A group of Dutch Singers were present as well.

Christmas Variety Concert



Presented by “The Dutch Singers”

DATE: Sunday 16 December
Venue: Neerlandia Clubhouse
230 Cambridge Street Wembley 6014
Cost: \$12.00 for Members
\$15.00 for Guests
Note: The Admission price includes unlimited Coffee/Tea
Show Time: 1.00 pm - 4.00 pm
Doors open: 11.30 am

Come early as our Kitchen will be open for Coffee & Lunch Snacks
Please come and join the Dutch Singers with their famous repertoire of
Multicultural Christmas Songs as well as some Community Singing
There will be a raffle with beautiful Prizes.

Pre-paid Tickets from The Dutch Singers:

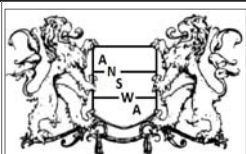
Contact: Gerry Creemers: 9356 4207

Please book your tickets early as we
limit the number of tickets sold
and we expect a full house.

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Anne Rietveld



From the President:

Clubhouse as an open Day event from 10am – 4pm.

Why 2012?

It is 60 years ago that the majority of Dutch migrants arrived in WA either by ship or plane.

Dutch numbers in WA increased rapidly from 264 in 1947 to 8441 by 1954 and to 11,276 by 1971. The 1986 ABS Census confirms 27,000 residents confirmed their Dutch Heritage.

2012 is the first event to recognise the anniversary of the "Migration Agreement" signed in 1951.

As many of those early migrants have passed away, many of their siblings are also ageing. So we realised it was very important that this event was to be held this year.

The help and the involvement of the members and volunteers especially Mr. Henk Oorschot to promote the 1952 Reunion has been outstanding. We also received help from outside sources such as the National Archives, Maritime Museum and Northam. An officer from the National Archives will be present to demonstrate to attendees how to access their family's migration records.

An officer of the "Welcome Wall" will also be there. Dutch Aged Care will be present to give elderly Dutch what Dutch Care can offer them.

On Wednesday Henri Koldenhoven and I went to Northam to visit the Old Railway Station Museum to organise extra memorabilia for the Reunion.

We have had an outstanding number of emails and phone calls from families of these early migrants who are looking forward to this event. Their biggest request has been for us to show pictures of the Northam Migration Camp. We never realised how important it is for them and their families to see what the early migrants went through.

I am looking forward to the 28th of October to be able to meet our visitors and have a chat with them.

There is the possibility that the Dutch Minister of Defence Hans Hillen might visit Perth on the 9th of November. If this is confirmed he wants to lay a wreath at the Dutch Enclave. We will keep you informed when we have confirmation.

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Dirk Hartog's 400th Anniversary

The year 2012, has seen a flurry of cultural heritage activities around the maritime, military, migration or mercantile links that characterise the Dutch connection with Australia and Australians since 1606. Driven largely by Australian and Netherlands government and quasi-government and educational organisations plus interested individuals they resulted in symposiums in Fremantle in February, The Hague in June, and will culminate with a Dutch Culture Week in Canberra end of October begin of November. The focus of the symposium has been the up and coming 400 year anniversary of Dirk Hartog's visit to the Western Australian coast in October 1616, to a part now called Cape Inscription on Dirk Hartog Island. His maps were the first to survive to confirm the

presence of the Great South Land. An important outcome to date is Australia being the



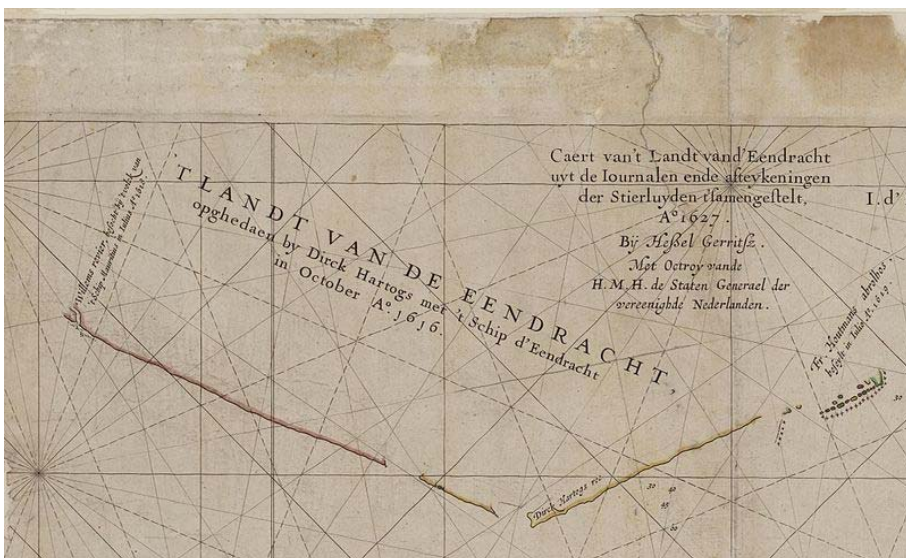
first, first world country to be given a 'priority country' status under the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Netherlands) and Ministry of Education, Culture and Science 'Mutual heritage' Policy. This is an exciting change in policy and was driven by the many examples of Dutch Australians' work on collecting and collating their cultural heritage around

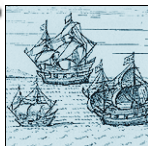
Australia (Various experts were asked to present their research on the heritage, others were asked to suggest possible collaborations with local, state, national or bilateral events, or report on a past event. The symposia were organised by the Centre International Heritage (Centrum Internationaal Erfgoed) in Leiden. They are currently busy setting up the November 1 Event in Canberra which they hope will culminate in a positive direction for partnerships in events leading up to during and beyond 2016.

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PS: Dutch Culture Week in
Canberra will have begun at
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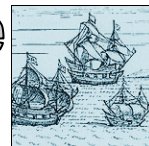
Dirk Hartog's plate





VOC stands for Vereenigde Oostindische Compagnie

In English United East Indies Company



In the 17th & 18th centuries the VOC was the largest enterprise in the world, with a fleet of more than 100 ships, thousands of employees, dozens of offices in Asia, & 6 established in the Netherlands. These were the "VOC chambers" in Amsterdam, Enkhuizen, Hoorn, Rotterdam, Delft & Middelburg. When Dutch merchants were excluded from the lucrative trade in Asia by the Portuguese around 1590, several Amsterdam merchants decided to do something about that monopoly. To the effect they organised the so-called "First Shipping" to Asia in 1595. this voyage was inspired by "Huygen van Linschoten. A year later his complete "Itinerario" was published. Other merchants soon followed suit.

In the next 5 years 15 fleets comprising of 65 ships sailed to the Far East, resulting in extensive competition even amongst the Dutch themselves. The "Staten Generaal" (the equivalent of the parliament) decided to act, & try to persuade the merchants to work & co-operate with each other. The councillor for the government, Johan van Oldenbarnevelt, undertook most of the important preparations. When he finally did succeed to convince the various competing East India companies to co-operate & form a union, it resulted in the establishment of the United East India Company (VOC). The successful alliance was expressed in the letter "V" for Vereenigd" (United). Then on the 20th March 1602 the

Staten Generaal gave the VOC exclusive licence, effectively granting them a Dutch monopoly for the trade in the Far East. It marked the start of a period of intense economic & cultural growth in the Netherlands. The VOC was governed by the "Heren Zeventien" (Lords XVII). These were representatives from the 6 VOC chambers. From 1595—1795 approx 4800 voyages to the Far East were made. The VOC made its own charts & much more. This enormous commercial enterprise lasted 2 centuries. Toward the end of the 1800s trade was declining. Tough competition & the war with England saw the VOC disband in the 1795.

Information gleaned from the internet.



Above are 2 pictures of the VOC Chambers in Amsterdam—on the left as is today & on the right in the 17th century.



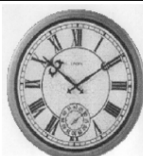
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Dirk Hartog's 400th Anniversary - continued...

Dirk Hartog sailed the world and was to become the 2nd white man (1st was Willem Janzoon in 1606, also Dutch) to set foot on what was then known as the mysterious 'Great Southern Land'. At the age of 41 years in the year 1621 he passed away and that means he was just 36 years old when setting his Dutch 'clog' on Australian soil. How did Dirk from the distant Netherlands end up in our story of discovery?

In 1611 a Hendrik Brouwer, a Dutch colonial administrator, worked out a new route to Batavia (Java) for the Dutch East India Company known as (*Vereenigde Oostindische Compagnie*, or VOC); a route that would dramatically reduce the sail time from South Africa - actually, in half from 12 months to just 6 months. This route then brought the ships much closer to the 'Great Southern Land'. With the calculating of longitude being somewhat imprecise science at that time, a collision with this 'mysterious' land could and would happen over the ensuing 100+ years.

The youthful Dirk came from a seafaring family and soon became the Captain of a small trading vessel called the '*Dolphyn*' (dolphin) from about 1615. He



Hartogh nails his plate to a post on Dirk Hartog island in 1616.

joined the VOC, which was established in 1602 to trade for spices in East Asia, and in no

time at all was appointed to command the ship the '*Eendracht*' on a voyage from the Netherlands via South Africa to Batavia.

The first part of his journey of discovery began on the 23rd January 1616 from the Netherlands. On the way to South Africa he was blown off course & separated from the other ships in his fleet. This could have been what had happen on the second part of the trip, or a miscalculation of that 'imprecise science' of calculating longitude, as he followed the set out southerly 'Brouwer' route to Batavia.

Possibly pushed further forward than he should have by the roaring forties before turning North, the Captain of the *Eendracht* came upon the tip of a small island on the 25 October 1616 just off the coast of today's Western Australia. This island was approx 80 km long and 14 km wide and uninhabited. It was a very barren island pummelled by the vast Indian Ocean.

Dirk Hartog landed at the northern end of the island, now known as Cape Inscription.

He explored the island for 3 days but found very little. Young Dirk Hartog was unimpressed by what he had seen and so headed North, charting the coastline to the NW Cape—good one Dirk! However, one thing that he did do was to leave a mark for history by leaving a commemorative plate that recorded his visit. Carefully attached to a wooden post there it remained until yet another Dutch explorer Willem de Vlamingh came along 40 years later, removed it and placed his own plate in its stead.



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THE 25 OCTOBER IS HERE ARRIVED THE SHIP THE EENDRAGHT OF AMSTERDAM THE UPPERMERCHANT GILLES MIEBAIS OF LIEGE SKIPPER DIRK HARTOG OF AMSTERDAM THE 27 DITTO MADE SAIL FOR BANTAM THE UNDERMERCHANT JAN STINS THE UPPERSTEERSMAN PIETER DOEKES VAN BIL ANNO 1616



The VOC ship 'The Eendracht':
(the unsung hero of this adventure)

The *Eendracht* was an East Indiaman of 700 tonnes built in the VOC's Amsterdam Dockyard & launched in 1615, her maiden voyage was on the 23rd January 1616 under the command of Dirk Hartog. She had a complement of ~200 and an armament of 32 guns. Her homeport was Texel.

(with information gleaned from the Internet & from further research...)



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First & foremost thank you all for your past support in keeping Dutch Community Radio alive & well on W.A's Perth airwaves. I wish to take this opportunity to convey to you not only that we have a great and committed team at the station but also to pass on something that we discussed at our last meeting. At this AGM meeting we discussed the subject of just who & how many people listen to our program each time we go to air. In short – that we would like to conduct a survey and have our loyal listener's participation. To do this we must have the listeners ring into the station on (08) 9227 5953 during the time we are broadcasting on 6EBA 95.3 FM; which of course for Dutch Community Radio is on each Sunday between 2 pm & 3.30 pm. During the program we would like listeners to ring in with their views & suggestions on how to enhance the listening pleasure not only for the older members but also the younger generation. We would have a raffle whereby we would draw the name of one of those listeners who have rung in; and once a month a lucky winner would receive a prize of a 'Gift Basket'. The telephone at Dutch Community Radio would be manned during the programming each week; so that anyone of our listeners can be sure of someone answering their call if they ring during our programming times. We would like to ask our Sponsors & Supporters for their help by way of a donation of a 'Gift Basket' or items suitable to

be placed in the said basket. As you will all probably know Dutch Community Radio is a non - profit organization and as such all who work to keep the program going each week are volunteers. There is no 'remuneration or gratuities' of any kind other than the pleasure of being able to contribute in some way to get this program out to the Dutch Community and its friends in Western Australia; and yes, also listeners in the Netherlands. The running costs of the organization are covered purely by sponsorship and donations. So, we look to all sponsors, supporters and the members to help in whatever way they can to (1) enable us to conduct a successful survey; (2) the support to bring Dutch Community Radio into the 21st century e.g. up-to-date music, programming, etcetera; and (3) to support the station so as to keep us on air for a further period for the benefit of the Dutch community in Western Australia. For our records (which are purely confidential) & for easier & quicker future communications we ask that if you have an email address to please let us know. As Public Relations Officer for Dutch Community Radio I now look forward to hearing from you as to your response, support and hopefully your participation. Yours sincerely,

Henny Crijns...

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DCR AGM:

The Annual General Meeting for DCR was held on the 19/08/12.

The following are the new office bearers:

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population was 16,072.

BRIELLE

Brielle, also called **Den Briel** is a town, municipality and historic seaport in the west of the Netherlands, in the province of South Holland. It is situated on the northern side of the island of Voorne-Putten, at the mouth of the Nieuwe Maas (New Meuse river). The municipality covers an area of 31.12 km² (12.02 mile²) of which 3.63 km² (1.40 mile²) is water. On 1 January 2012 its estimated

The municipality of Brielle also includes the communities Vierpolders, and Zwartewaal. Brielle is the sister city of: Queenborough, England, since 1967 and Havlíčkův Brod, Czech Republic, since 1985.

HISTORY

Brielle is a very old, fortified town. Its name is derived from the Celtic word *brogilo* (meaning "closed area" or "hunting grounds"). The oldest writings about Brielle indicate that the current location is the "new" Brielle. *Den ouden Briel* must have been situated somewhere else on the Voorne-Putten Island. It received city rights in 1306. The city was for a long time the seat of the Count of Voorne, until this fiefdom was added to Holland in 1371. It had its own harbour and traded with the countries around the Baltic Sea. Brielle even had its own trading colony in Sweden.

During the Eighty Years' War between the Netherlands and Spain, the capture of Brielle on April 1, 1572, by Protestant rebels, the Watergeuzen, marked a turning point in the conflict, as many towns in Holland then began to support William of Orange against the Spanish Duke Fernando Álvarez de Toledo, 3rd Duke of Alba who was sent to pacify The Netherlands.

This event is still celebrated each year on April 1 and the night before (known as Chalk Night (*kalknacht*) when the city is defaced with chalk - and now also white paint). Dutch students are taught a short rhyme to remember this fact:

"*Op 1 April verloor Alva zijn bril*" translating into "On April 1st, Alva lost his glasses", ("*bril*" is the Dutch word for "glasses". Another rhyme continues with this line: "*Op April zes verloor Alva zijn fles*" "On April 6th Alva lost his bottle" in which the word "*Fles*" stands for the town of Vlissingen, which was the next town to be freed by the Dutch rebels.)



Geuzen schip "the Prince Admiraal"

FORTIFIED CITY

Once the Geuzen had easily captured Brielle, they started to replace the Middle age town walls with a modern fortification. This process of renewal and replacement lasted till 1713 when fortifications were completed.

The shape is a design by the fortification builders Willem Paen (who worked for the Holland council) and his famous peer Menno van Coehoorn (who worked for the stadholder and the Dutch parliament.)

Since 1713 little has changed as regards the fortification, as a result of which the defensive works belong to the most important fortification works left in the Netherlands. It is difficult to walk around the ramparts and visit them completely. Besides the walls there are various buildings in the town centre, which were used for military purposes, such as the arsenal, the turf shed and the old Provost military prison, now an arts and conference centre.

In order to make it possible for the fortification to be built, Paen and Van Coehoorn ordered a complete district in the southern part of town to be demolished. Presently, there is a green residential area just outside the current fortified area.



The Old Provost Military Prison

Brielle was important to the Geuzen, as the town had a large harbour consistent with Middle Age concepts. Lying on the Maas River, Brielle was a good freight harbour for ships en route to Zeeland or Rotterdam and Dordrecht. Fishing and trade ships from Brielle went to Iceland, Scandinavia, Russia, Poland, North Africa and the Middle East. Brielle made an agreement with the trade cities and the people of Brielle possessed their own 'trading post' in Sweden.

The historic seaport of Den Briel

THE MARTYRS of GORCUM

On July 9, 1572, nineteen priests and religious were put to death by hanging at Den Briel, the Netherlands. They had been captured in Gorkum on June 26 by a band of Calvinist pirates called the Watergeuzen (sea-beggars) who were opposed to the Catholicism of the Spanish princes of the country.

During their imprisonment, the priests were tortured, subjected to countless indignities, and offered their freedom if they would deny the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist and the primacy of the pope. Despite a letter from Prince William of Orange ordering their release and protests from the magistrates of Gorkum, the men were thrown half-naked into the hold of a ship on July 6, and taken to Briel to be killed in the presence of a Protestant nobleman, Admiral Lumey, who was noted for his hatred of Catholicism. Their bodies, mutilated both before and after death, were callously thrown into a ditch.

ADMINISTRATIVE CENTRE OF AN ISLAND

Perhaps a visitor would hardly notice, but Brielle is located on an island: Voorne. Voorne is one of the Zuid-Hollandse Islands, and has been opened up tremendously during the last years by the Caland and Spijkenisser bridges and the Thomassen tunnel.

Before 1900 roughly, Voorne was still an isolated area, of which Brielle formed the administrative centre. The traces of this past are still left behind in Brielle. Consequently, there is a proportionately large services level for a borough with "only" 16.000 inhabitants. It does have a municipal court, a library, a theatre, communal archives, a museum and so on. The Brielle town hall is a striking building, the façade of which was designed by the architect Johannes van Westenhout. This man, who was originally born in Brielle also worked on none other than the (former) Tweede Kamer (Second Room) building in The Hague and the seat of Government in Breda.



Town Hall

HISTORICAL –CULTURAL MONUMENTS and WATER

In the twentieth century Brielle was a little threatened - literally almost - falling between defences and ship. By means of constructing industrial areas in the former Maas (Botlek, Europoort, Maasvlakte) shipping ceased to be a source of income. Furthermore, the opening-up, through means of the bridges, gave rise to administrative and cultural institutions being subjected to pressure by competition from Rotterdam. Nevertheless, the wealth of cultural history has become more and more important for the region over the last thirty years. The city with the most modern centre in the Netherlands (Rotterdam) and the largest industrial areas, which are located directly beside, or at least, a small town with a very small surface area, with almost 400 monuments and one of the best preserved fortifications in the Netherlands.

This is why Brielle is hoping to market itself again as an attractive place to live and a holiday destination. The Brielle Maas, now an inland lake, offers a wide range of recreational activities.



Seaman Asylum

This so called 'Seaman Asylum' was build between 1874 and 1875. The architect was Cornelis Outshoorn. The asylum was giving shelter to old and disabled seamen. The building was paid through contributions of the Dutch people. Nowadays common citizens of the city occupy the building. It must be wonderful to live in a building that boast so much history. The right wing was paid for by the very rich art collector Alexander Verhuell. His monogram is positioned between the two lions at the main entrance.

Seaman Asylum



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The Harbour

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Let's get this straight!

Everyone knows that Captain Cook discovered Australia in 1770 and he is revered for it world-wide. So much so, that some other events are overshadowed by it.

Willem Jantz. of Duyfken landed on Cape York Peninsula in 1606, this event was not as significant for he never laid claim to any of it.

Nevertheless, in 1616 Dirk Hartog landed at Shark Bay on the West Coast and as evidence of his visit he left an inscribed pewter plate, nailed to a wooden post.

From that time on activity on the west coast



increased when the VOC ship Batavia ran onto a group of islands called the Abrolhos in 1629. The resulting massacre by mutineers under

Jeronimus Corneliszoon killed 125 of the survivors. When Commander Francesco Pelsaert returned with the rescue ship Sardam the mutineers were captured and dealt with.

Two of them, Wouter Loos and Jan Pelgrom were marooned on the shore at Hutt River and left to fend for themselves. However, they were given provisions to tide them over. There a number of sightings that suggested that they integrated with the natives. However, they were the first Europeans to settle on the west coast of Australia.

When in 1656, the Vergulde Draeck ran onto a reef, five kilometres out from the Moore River mouth, 68 survivors were left behind after seven men went for help, sailing a boat to Batavia (Jakarta).

It was much later, in 1712, that the Zuytdorp wrecked some 50 km south of Shark Bay and there are indications that a large number survived the ordeal.

So it is likely that up to 300 sailors settled here, with the help of Aboriginal inhabitants, indeed integrated with them.

This story has been told a number of times although little notice has been taken by historians to give it

the validity that it deserves. This is ironic for the discovery of the East Coast did not meet the same scepticism.

He named the bit of coast he was on New Wales and claimed it for the English Crown and then said "[since I] may land no more upon this Eastern Coast of New Holland, and on the Western side I can make no new discovery the honour of which belongs to the Dutch navigators and as such they may lay Claim to it as their property. 'Journal, 22 August 1770 p 387, n. 4

Afterwards he sailed away further south to look for the Great Southland.

Leave him be, by all means, but do not negate the role of the Dutch on the other side of the continent. The Dutch did settle, albeit, through force of circumstance. Cook sailed away and it wasn't until 1778 that the British government sent a fleet with convicts to the 'new colony' after having been ousted from America's war of Independence (1775–1783).

It has often been said that Australia has no history or culture. Indeed, if part of it has been swept under the carpet by historians and/or politicians over time. Culture and history go hand in hand and most people in Australia have come from countries dating back many centuries.

The facts are clear that the first European settlers were the Dutch from 1629 onwards. This is aside from the DNA analysis that is currently under way at Leiden University.

The VOC Historical Society Inc. has been engaged in the research of the Dutch role in WA. The accent has been on the Vergulde Draeck and Zuytdorp because of their role on the mainland. Batavia was 60 km out at sea on the Abrolhos and only had two mutineers on the mainland.

More recently the accent fell on the Aagtekerk, one of the three ships that became lost without a trace, through Hugh Edwards, the well known West Australian author and diver.

There are two other such ships, the Fortuyn and Ridderschap van Holland. Certain clues have come to light that may provide clues about their fate.

The VOCHS has kept that on the back burner because of lack of man power. Perhaps with the influx of expats it may be possible to generate enthusiasm and add another chapter to Australian history.

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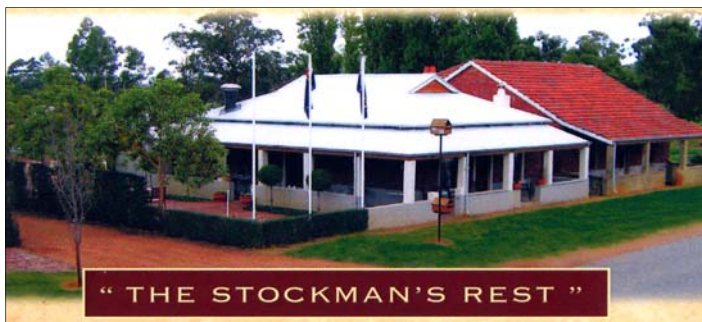
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Saint Nicholas

Day for the Children



On Sunday the 2nd of December

Saint Nicholas and his “Zwarte Pieten” will visit the Neerlandia Clubhouse to ensure everyone will have a good time. For the Children we will have an Icecream, a bag of Lollies and a Drink.

Mr. Blitz the magician will provide the entertainment for the children.

We will also have a colouring-in competition. Forms for this with the conditions of entry on the back will be in this issue of the Neerlandia Magazine.

For the grown-ups there will be Coffee/Tea and a “Appetaart” or similar”.

Note: One present per child must be provided by the parent and handed in at the door. (Value not over \$20.00)

The name and age of the child must be clearly written on the present.

Event: St. Nicholas for the Children
Date: Sunday 2 December
Time: Doors open at 11.30
St Nicholas will arrive at 12.30

Cost: **Adults:** \$10.00
All Children (2 -10) \$10.00

Note: Child admission fee does not include a present!

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Jacoba van Beieren.

One of history's well known minor players in Holland during the so called 'Hoekse en Kabeljauwse Twisten' (Hooks and Cods Civil War), was a cavalry officer named Jan van Schaffelaar, in the pay of the ancient duchy of Gelre (Gelderland). It was the 16th of July 1482 that some horseman under his command found refuge and captured the tower and church of Barneveld. The siege party then started to fire a cannon to blast them into submission. Those under siege were allowed to leave unmolested on condition that they handed over their leader. They refused, but then Jan van Schaffelaar addressed his men saying Beloved fellows, I shall have to die one time, I do not want you to have trouble. He then climbed upon the towers' battlements and jumped to his death. A statue has been erected on site, to commemorate the heroic decision of this courageous man.

Why Hooks and Cods? The Cods (kabeljouwen) are voracious eaters and will keep growing, the Hooks (Hoeken) are the tools to catch these cods.

Over many years there was a gradual build-up of tension between the overall power held by the ruling nobility over common people, while these in the course of time were becoming more and more affluent and influential and living in cities who were constantly buying privileges for hard cash from their needy ruling overlords, thereby becoming authorities in their own right. The ruling nobility were divided amongst themselves as such that parties were formed of those with similar economic interests and each of them trying to win favour with the commoners to strengthen their own powerbase.

It is very interesting to follow how some influential families played important roles in Dutch history. The Lords of Egmont were one such family and became one of the key leaders with Count Willem III, who inherited Egmont and was appointed by the Duke of Burgundy in 1304 as his representative with the title of Stadtholder of Holland, followed later with his rule over Zeeland and Henegouwen (Hainault). Willem III was an inspired politician bringing prosperity to the counties he ruled. One of his daughters Margareta married King Louis V of Bavaria in 1324. Then another daughter Philippa married Edward III, who became the King of England with a bit of help of father Willem. Finally his middle daughter Johanna married the Count of Gulik.

These tensions as mentioned before finally boiled over when Count Willem IV of Holland who had followed up his father, had died in the battle of Stavoren in 1345 against the Frisians and without leaving a son to follow him up. His many military campaigns had been very costly for the provinces he governed and in order to finance this, he sold many privileges to the various noble families and applicant cities and admitted their representatives as members of the governing elite at the 'Hof van Holland'. On his death England, France and the emperor of Germany could claim suzerainty over the lower lands, so King Louis of Bavaria quickly moved that Willem IV's oldest sister Margareta was appointed as governess of Holland and Zeeland on the 13th January 1346.

Then on reaching the age of 16 years on the 5th of January 1349, her son Willem was sworn in as Count Willem V of Holland, together with a claim for a yearly pay-out of 6000 guilders plus a one-off payment of 15000 guilders. This was the time when Holland was still at war with Friesland and Utrecht and also the time when the 'black death' was ravaging the lower lands. It was easy to understand that the combined Nobility and Cities rejected Margaret's claims when they got together in Geertruidenberg, leaving him with little power to govern. Two leaders emerged, Jan I van Egmont and Wolfert III van Borselen, who convinced Willem V during his mother's absence in 1350, to distance himself from this mother and family and be independent. The plot failed on the return of Margaret.

The rebelling nobles on the 23rd of May 1350 then acted and formed a group of nobles and cities, Delft being the first to join, under the name of 'Kabeljauwen'. Margaret acted immediately and formed the 'Hoeken' party. At times the parties clashed violently, whereby castles on both sides were under siege and some destroyed, but at the end of the year 1351 Willem V was in full control as Stadtholder of Holland and Zeeland. Many of the Hoekse Nobility were banished. With the passing of the years, Willem and his mother made peace with each other again in 1354 through the mediation of King Edward III of England, who was married with Philippa, Willem's sister. After the death of Margaret in 1356, Willem inherited Henegouwen.

During the whole of the 'Hoekse and Kabeljauwse Twisten' raging from about 1350 till 1490, both parties were mostly balanced in their support from the factions involved in the provinces of Zeeland, Holland, West Friesland and Utrecht.

Two years later, Willem's behaviour became very erratic and he was declared to be mad after he attacked and killed one of his guests with a dagger at his court. His brother Albrecht I of Bavaria (his titles:- Albrecht I van Wittelsbach, Stadhouder van Holland en Zeeland, Hertog van Beieren-Straubing, Graaf van Henegouwen) on taking control, had him locked up in his castle 'Le Quesnoy' in Henegouwen, where he died in 1389.

Stadtholder Albrecht van Beieren actively supported Amsterdam by selling many privileges which in turn financed his independency. However he came into conflict with Delft and Leiden as they refused their support to give his seat of government 'sGravenhage (The Hague) City status. Albrecht however solved this problem by building his offices and favouring the locals around the 'Ridderzaal' (Knight's Hall), originally a hunting lodge for the Counts of Holland.

The Lower Countries, Holland and Zeeland, grew steadily in wealth as trading partners in the Hanseatic League and their growing merchant fleets and fishing enterprises. This was on show in Cambrai in 1385, where a double wedding took place between two male heirs of Burgundy-Flanders-Artois and Hainault (Henegouwen)-Holland-Zeeland married each others' sisters. The Count of Holland caused to build a city of 6000 tents, thereby

Jacoba van Beieren

entertaining 20.000 spectators. The show with wild beasts being the talk-of-the-century, lasted for a week and the cost equaled a years' revenue of the Dutch Provinces, but the outcome was that the future of the enterprising Dutchmen from those lower countries was being consolidated under the powerful umbrella of the Burgundy principedom.

Albrecht, as you will now realize, was quite a boy in his days and besides his legal wife, entertained a few mistresses, the last one by the name of Aleida van Poelgeest. Unfortunately, Aleida was killed by a 'Hoekse' knight in a dark night on the 22nd September 1392, when she was accompanied in the streets of The Hague by one of Albrecht's advisors Willem Cuser. To punish, Albrecht ordered the properties of some prominent 'Hoeken' supporters to be demolished and that the walls of 'Hoeken' Delft had to be torn down. To top it off, he ordered 1000 men from Delft to walk barefoot to The Hague and ask the Count for forgiveness, followed by 500 women wearing their best clothes and with their loose hair waving in the wind, in order to plead for saving their men.

When Albrecht died on the 13th of December 1404, his son Willem VI followed up but found the country deep in debt from the Cambrai extravaganza. However the skillful management by a leading merchant from Amsterdam, appointed as treasurer, soon reversed the situation. Now the doors were opened to combine the Beieren interests in Holland, Zeeland and Henegouwen with the Duchy of Burgundy with Dijon as the capital, including Flanders, Luxemburg and sizeable parts of France.

Willem VI of Bavaria died in 1417, leaving his daughter Jacoba van Beieren to follow him up. She married a year later with her cousin John IV of Brabant. However Jacoba's uncle, John of Bavaria, the brother of her father and Bishop of Luik, challenged Jacoba's succession, as he was the oldest surviving male in the family. A civil war was the result, lasting about ten years with the end result that Burgundy gained control of Brabant



and the bishop of Luik had to join the Duchy of Burgundy for the simple reason that he had run out of money to continue his campaign to rule in lieu of Jacoba. In the meantime John IV of Brabant had managed to be re-instated as count of Holland and Zeeland in 1425 after the death of John of Bavaria in 1424. During these many years of warfare, terrible storms were savaging the lower countries, culminating on the 9th of November 1421 in the St Elisabeth flood, covering all the lands between Geertruidenberg and Dordrecht and submerging seventy

two villages. Many people and thousands of cattle and horses lost their lives. When all came to normal again, twenty two villages remained under water in the area now called the Biesbosch.

After all these upheavals and threats to her life, Jacoba had to flee to England but not before she managed to have her marriage to John IV declared invalid. Now in England she met and married Humphrey Duke of Gloucester (1391-1447), the fourth son of King Henry IV. With Humphrey's help, she tried to invade Hainolt (Henegouwen) but did not succeed as he abandoned her for another woman. Jacoba surrendered to the Duke of Burgundy Philips the Good who imprisoned her in Ghent. The Hook party who supported Jacoba, decided to free her and managed to smuggle men's clothes into prison, whereupon she simply walked out of prison to be whisked away on horses waiting outside. It did not help that John IV of Brabant was flat broke after all these altercations and was forced to transfer his succession rights to Holland and Zeeland to the Duke of Burgundy, Philips the Good (1396-1467). On finding out, Jacoba became very upset about this deal and took up fighting again, but after three years had to give in and sign a peace treaty in the year 1428 with the Duke of Burgundy, known as 'The kiss of Delft'. Though the terms of this treaty stated that she was now recognized as the Countess of Holland and Zeeland, she was not allowed to marry without Philips the Good's consent. For Jacoba it was very difficult to face all her problems by herself without being able to share her problems with a trusted friend. It so happened that in the course of a few years she found that friend in Frank van Borselen (1395-1470) whom she married in all secrecy, a rich and influential knight, empowered by the Duke of Burgundy to rule as Stadtholder over Holland and Zeeland. Breaking hereby her promise not to marry without the Burgundy Duke's consent, she lost her position as Countess of the Holland and Zeeland provinces. After having settled in her court in The Hague (Die Haghe), Jacoba's days were filled with parties and receiving the foremost leaders of the Hoeken and Kabeljouwen. Those in power made the castle Teylingen for her available to live with her husband Frank and it was there that she had to retire from politics because of gradually failing health, but the parties went on, looking at the evidence of the many wine-cans retrieved from restoring the old moats erstwhile surrounding the castle, now called 'Jacoba Kanneetjes'. It was not long after she had moved in Teylingen that she died of tuberculosis in 1436. These days we can visit the now world famous Keukenhof where we admire the enchanting explosion of the many colours and varieties of tulips, hyacinths and narcissus as well as those magnificent flowering trees, all in a dream setting of garden architecture. The whole enhanced with fine sculptures, not forgetting that Amsterdam Organ at the entrance playing tunes so dear to the Dutch and if you are lucky, meeting with a live Jacoba, attended by one of her court ladies. And did you know that this remarkable show-piece was the erstwhile kitchen garden of Castle Teylingen, from which Jacoba's cooks retrieved their daily herbs and veggies? Our world is full of surprises.

Gerard Woerlee.

Challenging puzzles by the Puzzle Wizard

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CODEBREAKER PUZZLE



How to play the Game:

A **Codebreaker** is a crossword puzzle with no clues! Every letter of the alphabet has been replaced by a number, the same number represents the same letter all the time in this puzzle. All you have to do is find out which letter is represented by which number!

The codes for only 2 letters are revealed in this puzzle. When you have entered these letters throughout the puzzle, you should have enough information to start guessing your first word and also discover other letters. If you are unsure, use a pencil, then you can always erase mistakes.

I found the last Codebreaker not all that easy, but once I found the words "Almanac" & "Hymn", I was on my way. The March solution was:

A=22; B=3; C=11; D=2; E=6; F=9; G=14; H=1; I=24; J=12; K=4; L=19; M=20; N=5; O=17; P=8; Q=15; R=10; S=18; T=26; U=16; V=25; W=7; X=21; Y=13; Z=23.

Sudoku

The aim of the Sudoku Puzzle is to insert numbers in the boxes to satisfy only one condition: each row, each column and each 3x3 box must contain one each of the digits 1 through 9.

Sudoku - Easy

	5	7	4	2	9			3
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2						3	7	4
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		9	8		6			
7			5	3	4	9	6	



Sudoku - Moderate

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3				9	7			
7	6						2	5
			2	6				3
	4				1	2		9
	5	8			6			
			7	8				

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